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SUBJ: TWA ABANDONS BARCELONA SERVICE

REF: PARIS 9812; MADRID 2634; MADRID 2593

1. TWA MADRID INFORMED EMBASSY MORNING MAY 2 THAT IT HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED THAT IT DOES NOT INTEND TO FLY INTO BARCELONA. TWA REP TOLD EMBOFF DECISION ALREADY COMMUNICATED TO SPANISH AIR MINISTRY. THAT MINISTRY TOLD THAT ECONOMIC FACTORS NECESSITATED SUSPENSION.

2. TWA HAD INFORMED AIR MINISTRY APRIL 16 THAT BARCELONA SERVICE TO BE SUSPENDED ON THE FOLLOWING DAY IF LABOR COURT THERE, AS THAT AIRLINE RELIABLY INFORMED IT WOULD, WERE TO DECIDE IT OBLIGED HIRE ABOUT 20 FORMER PAN AMERICAN BARCELONA EMPLOYEES, IN SPITE OF LATTER AIRLINE'S OFFER OF SETTLEMENT EXCEEDING LEGAL MINIMUM.

3. COMMENT: A; ADDUCING ECONOMIC REASONS IS MUCH BETTER WAY TO EXPLAIN SUSPENSION OF BARCELONA SERVICE THAN
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REFERENCES TO AN AS YET UNANNOUNCED DECISION TWA THOUGHT

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LABOR COURT WOULD MAKE. NEW ANNOUNCEMENT, WHICH EMBASSY
HAS BEEN INFORMED OF BUT HAS NOT YET READ, WOULD APPEAR
TO PUT BETTER FACE ON MATTER. BUT IMPRESSION OF PRECIPITOUS
ACTION CREATED BY APRIL 16 LETTER STILL REMAINS.

4. COMMENT B; PAN AMERICAN'S OFFER FOR SETTLEMENT TO ITS
FORMER BARCELONA EMPLOYEES BEING CONSIDERED BY LABOR COURT
THERE. PAN AMERICAN IS WILLING GIVE THESE EMPLOYEES ONE MONTH'S
PAY PER YEAR OF SERVICE, WITH ANY FRACTIONS OF A YEAR COUNTED
AS A WHOLE, PLUS AN EXTRA MONTH, WITH NO LIMITATION. EMBASSY
UNDERSTANDS LAW PROVIDES FOR SETTLEMENT TO BE GIVEN TO DISMISSED
EMPLOYEES VARYING FROM 15 DAYS TO ONE YEAR OF SALARY DEPENDING
ON LENGTH OF SERVICE AND OTHER FACTORS. BUT LABOR MINISTRY
HAS FREQUENTLY NOT AUTHORIZED CLOSURE OF SOME ENTERPRISES
(A TASK OFFICIALLY ASSIGNED IT) UNLESS SETTLEMENTS OF ONE
MONTH'S PAY PER YEAR OF SERVICE GIVEN. SOME MORE RECENT
DECISIONS HAVE REQUIRED TWO MONTH'S PAY, WITH SETTLEMENT OFTEN
EXCEEDING A YEAR'S PAY FOR VETERAN EMPLOYEES. EMBASSY HOPES
ISSUE OF TWA'S OBLIGATION (OR THE LACK OF IT) TO HIRE FORMER
PAN AMERICAN BARCELONA EMPLOYEES WILL BECOME MOOT WITH ABANDONMENT
OF SERVICE TO THAT CITY. BUT UNTIL A PAN AMERICAN SETTLEMENT
OFFER DEFINITELY AGREED ON BY LABOR COURT AND THAT AIRLINE,
IT APPEARS THAT PROBLEM COULD ARISE AGAIN.
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